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Bi et al.

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Examiner: B. R. Gordon ✓

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Group Art Unit: 1743 ✓

For: COMBINATORIAL CHEMICAL SYNTHESIS ✓

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 14, 2002, amendment to the above-identified patent application is requested.

In the Specification

Please substitute the following amended paragraph(s) and/or section(s):

At page 40, lines 13-29, please replace the paragraph with the following.

The addition of chemical compositions to the synthesized powders can be combined with a heating step to facilitate the production of new materials. The additional materials can be applied as solutions and/or as powders. For example, silver compounds as powders or as a solution can be added to metal oxide particles, such as vanadium oxide particles. Subsequent heating as described above can result in the production of crystalline silver metal oxide particles, for example silver vanadium oxide particles. During the heating step, any solvent generally is evaporated. The incorporation of silver from a silver salt into vanadium oxide nanoparticles in a heat treatment process is described in copending and commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No.

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Attached please find the following document for filing in the above-identified patent application:

- 1) Amendment in response to Office Action dated August 14, 2002.

Sincerely,

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